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just and oppressive government. Ex to the matter to day.

THE FIFTH DEMAND.

expense of another."

" Believing in the doctrine of 'equal

The above is sound American doc-

principles of true political economy.

ample No. 2: That government, State or National, which forces the people

to pay taxes on watered railroad stock

and gives that tax to the railroad, is

an imjust and oppressive government.

a favored few and allows and author-

izes them to levy tr bute on the ener-

gies and industries of the whole people

oppressive a gevernment. And the

St. Louis Convention but enunciated

a great and correct principle, when it

declared its opposition to such iniqui-

no special legislation in their interest.

They ask for no "protection" which

they would not willingly accord to

a manufacturing enterprise with a

capital stock of a half million dollars.

This is o'slied an "infant industry"

enters the forest with his axe and no

industry" also? Does the govern

ment offer to "protect" him? It

taxes him forty-seven per cent to

build up the "infant industry" of the

millionair syndicate. Does he ask

protection? No, he only asks for a

fair showing—for an open field and

to grant to all classes and all classes

and all interests, but he says through

his representation at St. Louis, that

he will be satisfied with nothing less.

The sea Contract Street Section

JOURNALISTIC.

The Oxford Public Leager is a hice,

its second volume. It is a very read

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Feb. 1, 1889.

"THE NEWS AND OBSERVER HAS "ALWAYS FAVORED A COMMISSION "AND FAVORS ONE NOW. IT BE-"LIEVES THAT COMPOSED OF MEN "OF SUCH CHARACTER AND CAPAC- !! "ITY AS ALEXANDER, JARVIS" "AND WADDELL, FOR EXAMPLE" "IT WOULD BE AN INSTITUTION OF

"GREAT PRACTICAL BENEFIT TO "ALL CLASSES OF THE PEOPLE, "AND TO THE RAILWAYS AS WELL."

NOW.

January 29, 1890. "WE DO NOT THINK THAT A " BAILBOAD COMMISSION BILL WILL "ACCOMPLISH ANY GREAT RESULT" "FOR THE FARMERS IN THIS" "STATE. WE DO NOT KNOW OF "ANY GREAT REASON FOR PASS-"ING A BILL TAKING THE CONTROL" "OF RAILROAD PROPERTY OUT OF "THE HANDS OF THE OWNERS.

THE PEOPLE WANT NO DODG-

IN our issue of last week we had occasion to show the utter inconsistency of the News and Observer on the matter of a State railroad commission. We showed from its own columns that while the legislature was in session last winter, it was strongly in favor of a commission. We showed from its columns of the 29th ult., that it is now opposed to a commission. In its issue of the 5th inst., it attempts to get out of its un. enviable predicament by the plea that the present editor was not the editor of the paper last winter. Well, this will be laughable news to the people, especially to the citizens of Raleigh, and most especially to the members of the legislature, which met here last winter. The present editor is simply "begging the question." But before the present editor concludes his article he confesses to the paternity of the article in his paper last winter. And unless our memory be at fault the present editor has frequently, of late, referred his readers to what "we said" during a period in which, he would now have it understood, he "was not the editor." Will brother Ashe kindly inform his readers just when he relinquished the editorial control of the News and Observer, and just when he again assumed the editorial chair? And will he also tell them whether, during the interregnum, he was in any way responsible for the editorial utterances of that paper? We simply suggest that this information might spare him the embarrassing, if not humiliating, necessity of having to repudiate the utterances of his own paper made when he was "not the editor." But however much doubt may mys-

tify the public mind as to the important question of who is or who may have been, the editor of the News and Observer, on one question at least, the present editor has succeeded in making Phis year motes the third annual exhis position clear he is opposed to a hibition of the East Carolina Fish, railroad commission. True, he now Oyster, Game and Industrial Associasays that he is in favor of a scheme tion. As in the past, there is the A special from Washington, N.C. So far from being a matter of rewhich he and everybody knows would same determination on the part of the to the Wilmington Messenger, says: gret it is a sign of progress. Ever not amount to a row of pins. He managers to make it nothing short of Ocracoke Island is in arms. Lieut, since the war the Southern farmers says that the farmers of South Caro, a success in every respect. Still an Winslow and his negro systemen have been owned and run by the mer line are denouncing the commission other large and new building has been been driven from the waters before chants, who have by their exactions of that State The commission of erected this season which will be de the muszle of shot guns. It appears kept them in a state of chronic povthat State may deserve it, and if so, it voted to fish, oysters and game exclu- that Lieut. Winslow, representing his erty. The above shows that farmers should be denounced. The News and sively. In the center of this hall there company, has been paying a certain are conducting their business on legitiwould probably be the same thing in in which will be displayed all the difthis State." Why did not that paper ferent varieties of live fish. The lowgo just across the limit into the State est exeursion rates have been obtained of Georgia and tell its readers how over trailread and steamboat lines. admirably a commission is working in The Fair begins February 24th, to what the farmers of twenty-five other ally opened by Gov. Fowle.

sions, and draw its conclusions from there rather than from one State? rights to all and special privileges to We would be perfectly fair with our none,' we demand that taxation, Na. neighbor. We would be fair with the people. The people want to know

States think of their railroad commis-

the position of their public men and of the press on all questions affecting their interests. We would not in any manner misrepresent our neighbor. We will let the present editor of the News and Observer speak plainly, and unequivocally as to his position. The people want him to speak. They want a plain, s.raightforward, bold answer to this question: Is the News and Observer in favor of a railroad com-To Correspondents 1 mission in North Carolina for the regu

lation of freight and tariffs in our State? A simple "yes" or "no" will not require much space in his columns, and either word will settle the ques tion. Will be give it?

THEN AND NOW. ----

A CORRESPONDENT of Roanoke News says:

"There has already been too much said about hard times, as it had tendency to demoralize the public There has been more said about hard times in the last four months than during the four dark years when every able bodied man was in the army fighting the enemy and our mothers and wives and daughters were at home wearing homespun dresses and home-made shoes, drinking potato and rye coffee sweetened with sorgum molasses, and boiling water out of the Atlantic to get salt for

True, our noble men and noble women endured and suffered all and more than is expressed in the above paragraph. Why? The answer is found in all the fancied and real wrong and grievances which plunged two mighty armies into the horrows

their bread."

of the bloodiest civil war of history; Our men staked their lines. They capital but his pluck and strong, endured suffering. They banished brawhy arms. Is not his an "intant all dread of hard times. They counted not the comforts of life and home against the tremendous interests at issue. They were fighting against what they conceived to be a tyranical government, their most hateful foe. Their mothers, wives and daughters shared all and dared all. They en an equal chance. This he is willing gaged in war knowing the cost and fully prepared to pay it. They ex pected hard times and suffering and deprivation, and true to their manhood and womanhood they plained not. But how is it now?

That desolating war ended a quarter | ble am just distribution of the burthens of government, is what the of a century ago. We have had people are demanding. weeping and and nothing to disturb or to retard our progress as a people. We have the

finest country on the globe. have as frugal, enterprising and in-What the Knights of the Quill are Doing. dustrious people as live on the earth. The finest agricultural country ever inhabited by man. There is no conclean, newsy little paper, ain't it? flict between the people and the government. They now feel that the government should be their best able paper.

friend. They have a right to expect

than ever before. They have resor-

ted to every expedient to save them

selves from wreck and their families

from want. They abandoned the

fondly cherished hope of luxurious

or even comfortable living and were

brought down to the desperate task

of saving a home to give shelter to

their families. A majority of Ameri-

can farmers homes are to day under

mortgage, and will pass from their

either directly or indirectly, until

than it cost to produce them. They

magnificent country and under our

Yes verily, we have heard much of

"hard times." Let it continue to be

heard until it is heeded by those

who can give relief. In war they

expected and welcomed hard times.

In peace they expected and they de-

mand easy, if not prosperous times.

So long as these conditions exist will

NEW BERNE PAIR.

we hear the cry of "hard times."

boasted government.

prosperous times under these circumawake paper. The local news that it stances. They know that if just confails to get is not worth much. ditions prevailed that with all these The Wilson Advance is now going great priviliges we should be, indeed, on its twenty-first year. We wish a happy and prosperous people. The farmers of this greatly favored country have worked hard and have

many more years of prosperity. The Wilmington Daily Messenger struggled manfully and heroically, says that its circulation has increased only to find themselves, at the end over two hundred in four days. of each year, in worse condition

The Statesville Landmark and the Lincolnton Courier are talking about marging from the mindows.

It is generally agreed that Jim Robison of the Durham Sun, ought to be lynched on account of some of the funny things that he gets off. It is a a positive fact that the Twin-

City Daily don't lie down and go to sleep when there is any news around. present occupants unless relief is It knows that the reading public wants afforded. They have been taxed, and it goes shead and gets it. The Winston Daily says that the hopeless bankruptcy stares them in Durham Globe is to be revived by Mr. the face. The iron-hand of deby has T. B. Eldridge, of the Lexington Dis-

been laid heavily upon them. The patch. The Globe will issue both delly products of their labor sell for less and weekly editions, we understand. We are not sure that our neighbor, we do think that several of the best lary and graceful of gesture, with

> up with the procession. A representative of a large paper manufactory was in this office a few days ago and remarked that the quantity of paper-sold in the South had more than doubled itself during the last few years. A nation's intelligence can be measured by the amount of paper used. Now if the people will quit subscribing to the big Northern sheets and build up their home papers we will get there on this line. 4.954 to

blat hallist has tade a small out CIVIL WAR IN HYDE COUNTY

Observer argues from this, that "it has been placed a large glass aquariam price for oysters. The Virginia pirates mate business principles and avoiding came in and offered higher prices. the local merchant and money-lender, Lieut. Winslow went to Newberne and whose bills usually draw usurer's and hired a corps of negro oystermen. interest. Tally one for the Farmers' When they arrived the natives of Alliance. - Nebraska Alliance. that State? Why did it not tell them continue one week. It will be form considered the grounds theirs and have An Alliance exchange Ocracoke Island, who have always

went out with shot guns and drove the Lieutenant and his negro workmen from the waters. It is said the Lieutenant remarked that he never saw the muzze of a shot gun look so large. tional or State, shall not be used to The sheriff of Hyde county, Mr. J. R. build up one interest or class at the Roper, was called upon. He went over to the island and attempted to arrest the three or four whose names trine: It is in perfect second with the were given him; they resisted, and when the citizens of Ocracoke Island It involves a grand principle of justice. were ordered by the sheriff to assist It is right under all conditions and in the arrest they absolutely refused circumstances. That government and declared they would also resist to which discriminates against one inter- the death even if the whole State of est and imposes upon it the task of North Carolina were to come upon supporting another interest, to its own them. Citizens of Hyde county, on detriment, is a partial and unjust the mainland, were then called upon, government. For example: That but they said it was no fight of theirs government which imposes a tax of and refused to respond to the sheriff's Mocksville soon. torty-seven per cent. on the products orders. Sheriff Roper came to Washof agriculture and gives that tax to ington for legal advice and has com-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

. Capt. Elias Carr. President of the State Alliance, was in the city last Thursday and gave us a call.

Example No. 3: That government which gives control of its currency to ** From the reports of the State press about hig hogs that have been killed, we conclude that our farmers have moved their smokehouses home to enrich themselves, is an unjust and from Cincinnati.

* The wrangles of our National legislators over small matters seems to be a preconcerted plan to kill time and keep up some appearance of earn-The farmers of this country ask for ing their salaries.

* A. Leszar, Esq., of Mooresville, one of Iredell's representatives in the Legislature for several years, and who was elected Speaker of the House at the opening of the last session, was in the city last week and made THE PRO-GRESSIVE FARMER a pleasant call He please bring as much as a load of corn renewed his subscription, as a matter in part payment of their subscriptions. and it must be "protected." A young of course.

Kansas, but stock is starving and dash board. hundreds of people are said to be frantic with hunger, within 500 miles of this cheap corn. But a few-thousand millionaires are wearing "purple and fine linen" every day.

Beddingfield that there are now 2078 Alfiances at work in the State. There are now 93 counties organized, and every county has sub Alliances. Bro. Beddingfield has issued charters to 38"Alliances since he became Secretary and has several applications on rapidly, also.

* This writer made the assertion less than two years ago that the Alliance would become so powerful that our State and National legislators could not refuse to obey its demands. The Tarboro Banner recently began farms, etc., and the appropriation set has recently moved to Georgia. apart to defray expenses, is one of The Concord Standard is a wide the first victories on that line." We will soon see how we stand and be better prepared to apply the remedies.

L JOURNALISTIC ORATORY.

Wilmington Messenger, 31st ult Among the ex-editors of the State, Col. Alfred M. Waddell, of this city, is the best speaker and with the rarest resources for such performances. He getting out trade editions of their is a very graceful and pleasing grator, as well as a gentleman of fine abilities.

seen an article in the Charlotte Chronicle on our State oratory. That paper thinks highly of Col. L. L. SBYS: and gray and and arisis gray he not enthrall, by matchless elo-Exposition, at Atlanta, last year? and have we not the judgment to this, effect from the very master of Southern! ones will have to hustle if they keep pleasing Tar Heel enunciation, all go to make an effective orator."

SOUTHERN ALLIANCES AND der a to bear TRADE.

Dunn's weekly review for the week closing December 21, says: ... In some Southern States trade is

seriously affected for the time by the operations of Farmers' Alliances, which enlist farmers in co-operative trading and absorb money which might otherwise go to settle indebted ness with merchants. The results in some localities almost paralyze trade."

jealously guarded their prerogative, started at Dunn, N. C.

AMONG THE ALLIANCES.

What the Organization is Doing Throughout the Country. Wake County Alliance numbers

2,800 members. An Alliance store has been started

at Thompson, Ga.

Wilkes County, Ga., is talking of building an Alliance warehouse. Allen Root is the State Agent for

the Nebraska Farmers' Alliance. The Butts County, Ga., Alliance

has decided to open an Alliance store

at Flovilla The Alliance people in Davie county are going to open an Alliance store at

Our reports from South Carolina

show that the order is progressing finely in that State. The Alliance men of Cherokee

county, Ga., have bought a warehouse at Canton and have nearly paid for it. The Johnson County, Ga., Alliance has decided to impose a fine of five

dollars on any member who attends a The Milledgeville, Ga, Chronicle reports that the Alliance never was in such a prosperos condition as it is in ing.

that section now. The Nebraska State Farmens' Alliance met recently at Grand Island. Over 700 delegates were present at the opening of the session.

Mr. W. M. Burk, of Columbia, Ga., will resign his position as manager of fund, which is \$9.50 more than any the Alliance warehouse there as soon other Alliance. as the committee selects his successor.

The Lebanon, Kansas, Journal asks its subscribers who are in arrears to

A writer in the Southern Alliance From all we can learn there is Farmer says that for the first time in great destitution in South Dakota. twenty years the farmers are looking Corn is only 13 cents per bushel in up-heads hoisted and tails over the

The Alliancemen in Bowie county, Texas, have organized an "Alliance commercial association," the shares of which are five dollars each, and bear ten per cent. interest from date. On *. We learn from Secretary the funds raised in this way the farmers are easily carried through the year in their buying and selling operations.

ALLIANCE NOTES.

[Always give the name and number of your Alliance, your postoffice and your The membership is growing county, plainly, when you write to the President, Secretary, Trustee, Business Agent or Chairman of Executive Committee of the State Alliance.]

-Bro. F. M. Oldham, Secretary of Horseshoe Alliance, No. 568, Moore county, sends us resolutions adopted The passage of the bill requiring the by his Alliance, commending in the Superintendent of the Census to ascer- highest terms Bro. J. H. Jones, who tain the number of mortgages on was a member of that Alliance, but

> -Bro. W. W. Spencer writes from Walnut Ridge, No. 1,308, that his Alliance and two others met at Science Hill on the 1st of February, to hear a lecture by Bro. Y. H. Cox. It was a grand occasion. They had a fine dinner after the speaking was over.

-Bro. J. G. Johnston, of Harnett county, writes that Buckhorn Alliance, No. 224, holds her own. He thinks that more of their members ought to read THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. They have subscribed some money to the Since writing the above we have the business agency fund and would give more but for the short crops.

-Bro. D. W. Lindsay, of Poplar Branch Alliance, No. 1,250, writes Pedk's gifts in that direction and that his lodge has got up a mutual laid society and when a member loses Has not Cok Polk's elequence a horse or cow they contribute the been the lever of his success? Did sum of one dollar each to buy him another, provided the loss will require offence, 25,000 pe ple at the Pfedmont that much. No. 1,250 has 70 loyal members.

-Bro. W. J. Bishop, Corresponding Secretary of Smith Creek Alliance, oratory, Mr. Grady himself? * * No. 351, Warren county, writes that they are due us. We should greatly In truth, we regard Col. L. L. Polk his Alliance numbers about 50 memas one of the best orators now before bers and are a unit on all matters. if we do not hear from those in arrears cannot get sufficient money to meet the State Chrenicle, is the best weekly the public. Handsome of presence, His members are much depressed on promptly we shall take it for granted the demands of their reduced farm political newspaper in the State, but becoming of attire, voluble of vocabubut are making preparations for the Such a paper as THE PROGRESSIVE coming season.

-Bro. W. L. Kivett, Correspond. ing Secretary of Liberty Alliance, No. 1,922, writes an encouraging letter about his Alliance. They are steadily increasing and getting conservative citizens. They have built a store house with an Alliance hall upstairs. Nearly all of them read the Economist and PROGRESSIVE FARMER.

-Bro. P. A. Cox, Corresponding Secretary of Sandy Fork Alliance, No. 99, Mecklenburg county, Va., writes that his Alliance now numbers about 50 male and 16 female members. They take several copies of THE PRO-GRESSIVE FARMER, His members have now getting the husk argument. That been buying their guano, boots, shoes, oil and grass seeds together and have saved some money by so doing. Their County Lecturer gave the Alliance a fine address at their last county

Carter's Alliance, No. 694, Johnston it roots deeply and gets a large part county, to say that they do not ap of its nourishment from the subsoil, prove the resolutions passed by the and if the ground is thoroughly filled Pitt County Alliance. He thinks with clover roots when the clover dies, that it means nothing more nor less it is a great addition to the fertility, is to be than asking our legislators to abolish and the soil is in better condition for the present system of public schools. other crops.

He says that all civilized nations have some sort of a public school system. and that they will sanction nothing that tends to darken the minds of our people.

-A correspondent informs us that Rolesville Alliance, No. 53, Wake county, has selected Bro. S. W. Terrell. President of that Alliance, for their mercantile agent. He has made his first purchase of groceries at greatly reduced prices. Neighboring Alliances are invited to join Rolesville when they wish to buy anything.

-Bro. Halsa Hunter, Secretary of Alliance No. 337, Duplin county, writes that his Alliance has accepted the act of incorporation, and also stands firm in its determination to use nothing but cotton bagging. Bro. Hunter is a true friend to THE PRO. GRESSIVE FARMER and calls it "a noble paper." He has our thanks.

-Bro. A. B. Lewis, of Alliance No. 1,824, Tyrrell county, writes that his lodge now numbers 103 male and 30 female members, and all of them getting along finely. He also informs us that a Mr. Miller and his wife and son were drowned a few days ago while carrying juniper logs across Albemarle Sound. It is thought that their boat was capsized by overload "Allegande Wee Streething

THE ROLL OF HONOR.

Godwin Alliance, No. 131, Cumberland county, now stands at the head of the roll of honor, having contributed \$256.00 to the business agency

WHITE

The first victory for organized labor this session of Congress, was scored last week in the Senate by the passage of the following amendment to the census bill by a vote of 47 to 4: -WHITE

That it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Census, in addition to the duties now required of him by law, to ascertain the number of persons who live on and cultivate their own farms, and who live in their own homes, and the number who hire their farms and homes, and the number of farms and homes which are under mortgage, the amount of mortgage debt, and the value of the property mortgaged. He shall also ascertain whether such farms and homes have been mortgaged for the whole or part of the purchase money for the same. or for other purposes, and the rates of interest paid upon mortgage loans.

Sec. 2. That for the purpose of this act the sum of \$1,000,000 is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The four Senators voting against it were Sherman, Morrill, McPherson and Stockbridge. It might be well to cut these names out for future reference. The change of sentiment in the Senate regarding this matter is remarkable, and can be attributed to but one cause-news from constituents. The National Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union and the Knights of Labor should now take fresh courage and move on to other victories.

READ THIS CAREFULLY.

Our readers will testify that THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER has never burdened its columns, or annoyed its patrons, with appeals or complaints as to tardiness in paying subscriptions. None know better than we do that times are and have been hard with the farmers, and knowing this, we have been lenient beyond our ability with many of our friends. The relations between this paper and the farmers are so intimate that as they suffer we suffer. With this issue closes our fourth volume. We have time and again asked our friends to let us begin our next volume with clear books." We, therefore, hope they will immediately remit the amount regret to lose a single subscriber, but FARMER cannot live on a credit system, especially when it is put at the low price of one dollar. Will not the brethren of the Alliance all over the State make it a point at their next meeting to bestir themselves and extend its circulation in their midst? The brotherhood will need the paper more during the year 1890 than ever before. Will not the live, energetic members exert themselves at the next meeting of their Alliance to send us more subscribers? This article is intended for all who read it.

The farmers of the United States are converted the prodigat son. We shall see what effect it will have on the usury slaves - love Tribune.

The Michigan Farmer remarks that clover is a renovating crop every time -B.o. S. H. Broadwell writes from and for various reasons. One is that